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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
David A Stutsman : Examiner Erica Ergenbright  
Serial No. 09/290,777 : Art Unit 3722  
Filed: April 13, 1999 :  
For SPINDLE ASSEMBLY FOR :  
MACHINE TOOLS AND METHOD OF :  
MAKING SAME :

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AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner of Patent  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office  
Action mailed on June 20, 2000, having a response due date  
of September 20, 2000. This Amendment being timely filed  
on or before the due day; therefore, no extension-of-time  
fees are necessary.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully  
requested.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted.

In the Claims: